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WOULD AMEND NATIONAL LIQUOR LAWS

Bill Reported by Committee on Territories in Senate

TO INCREASE TAX

Conditions more Strenuous to Secure License, almost Prohibitive

Washington, D. C., May 3.—Senator Dillingham reported favorably from the senate committee on territories his bill to amend an act approved February 6th, 1909, entitled "An Act Relating to Affairs in the Territories." That Sections 464 and 468 of the act be amended to-wit:

Section 464. That before any license is granted, as provided in this act in relation to intoxicating liquors, it shall be shown to the satisfaction of said court that a majority of the male and female citizens over the age of 21 years within two miles of the place where, intoxicating liquors is to be manufactured, bartered, sold, and exchanged, have in good faith consented to the manufacture, barter, sale and exchange, or the barter, sale and exchange of the same; and the burden shall be upon the applicant or applicants to show to the satisfaction of said court that a majority of the male and female citizens of 21 years of age or more have consented thereto, and no license shall be granted in the absence of such evidence. Provided, that no license shall be granted for the manufacture, barter, sale or exchange of intoxicating liquors except within incorporated towns and such other towns, settlements, or communities in which a duly appointed United States commissioner, marshal or deputy marshal shall approve the application in writing, to carry on such business except that the respective district judge may in their discretion, grant licenses to the keeper of regularly established road houses on the main travelled post-roads or post-trails in the district; Provided further, that when such consent has been obtained nothing more will be required for 12 months thereafter.

Section 468. That the applicant shall deposit the amount of the license fee with the clerk of the court at the time of filing his application therefor; that the fee for a wholesale license shall be \$2,000 per annum, for a bar room license \$1,000, and for a retail liquor store license, \$500 per annum; for road house with not exceeding 50 people within two miles, \$50; that the words "towns, camps, or settlements," as used in this act, shall be construed to embrace the population within a radius of two miles of the place where the business is to be conducted under the license.

That a retail or barroom license shall be required for every hotel, tavern, barroom or other place in which intoxicating liquors are sold at retail.

That with wholesale license shall not sell less than four gallons not to be drunk upon the premises where sold; for retail liquor store license shall not sell more than three gallons, to be in glass bottles of not less than one pint, not to be drunk on the premises.

That no license shall be granted for the sale of liquors at either wholesale or retail in other than

a substantial building which shall have cost for construction not less than \$500.

Final Proof Protested

On Monday of this week, Antonio Campos appeared before U. S. Commissioner Scott to make final proof on his small holding claim southwest of Estancia. The heirs of Cornelio Luna protested the proof, claiming the land as a portion of a homestead entry. It appears that the surveys, which were made by different surveyors for the two parties, do not agree, but overlap and have thus caused trouble.

Village Board Meets

The Board of Trustees of Estancia met in regular session on Wednesday night, all the members of the board being present except Trustee Goldsmith. Two ordinances were introduced and passed on first reading, one relating to the securing of supplies for the village and the other relating to Bawdy houses.

Four ordinances were passed on second reading. Ordinance No. 1, known as the "Pound Ordinance," was held over for further consideration, and to allow the clerk to communicate with the district attorney in regard to the same. Ordinances No. 2, known as the "Dog Ordinance," No. 3 "Arthur Park," and No. 4, "Duties of the Marshall," were placed on final reading and passed. These three were ordered published three weeks as required by law, after which they will be in force. A few minor changes were made in two of the ordinances before final passage, but the ordinances as a whole remain the same.

Another Lamb

"Goo, goo, goo," he murmured as he opened his big brown eyes on this great new world Sunday morning. "Is zis ze home of ze sheepman? Me wants be sheep man, tu, and ba-ba ike ittle sheepies. Tan me tay ha?"

"You bet your last sheep you can," declared F. D. Carpenter, who was dancing around on tiptoes, so happy was he over the precious bit of humanity, which the stork had just left in his home. "You can not only stay here, but you may have the whole bunch of sheep, lambs and all in the Carpenter flock."

"Thank you, dady; me do dat," and F. D. Jr., snuggled back on his downy pillow and was fast asleep, while the admiring and happy papa stood over him with admiring glance, whispering to himself:

"You are sure the nicest lam-bie that I ever put my peepers on!"

The Press congratulates the proud parents.—Montrose [Colo] Press.

W. W. Wagner drove down from the farm this morning.

M. B. Atkinson, County Treasurer is reported on the sick list.

Children's Day will be observed by the Methodist Sunday School on June 8th, with an appropriate program by the children. Revival services will begin on the evening of the same day, the pastor being assisted in these by Rev. A. W. Lytle, of the New Home District.

BUSY TERM OF COURT THIS WEEK

Much Business of Routine Nature Disposed of by Judge Baca

SEVERAL REPORTS

Testimony Taken in Contest of Administration of Estate

Probate Court met in regular session on Monday of this week, Hon. Gabino Baca, presiding. The work was principally of a routine nature, quite an amount being transacted.

The appraisers of the Manuella Luna estate filed a report, placing the total valuation at \$4,996.00.

A petition was granted naming Flavio Sanchez as guardian of the minor child Domingo Martinez.

Pedro Salas, Natividad Salas and Benito Salas made application to be appointed administrators of the estate of Eleigio Salas deceased, and the court entered an order causing them to appear personally at the next regular term of court.

E. P. Davies, as attorney for Juan Hilario Sanchez, next friend of the minor heir of Pablo Salas, appeared asking the court not to approve the report of the administrator, Andres Salas. Testimony was taken in regard to the contest. Later a stipulation was signed by the parties at interest, and the contest dropped. The report of the administrator was disapproved, and an order entered for the administrator to file a full and complete report at the next regular term of court.

A. W. Lentz filed his annual report of the administration of the estate of Adolph H. Lentz, deceased.

Adolfo Salas, as administrator of the estate of E. A. Dow, deceased, filed his report, which was approved by the court.

In the matter of the contest of the will of Victorita Sanchez de Barcelona, the order heretofore entered by the court dismissing the petition filed by Tomasita Sanchez de Maldonado, was revoked by the court.

In the matter of the estate of Carl A. Dalies, deceased, the final report of the administrator was filed and approved.

E. H. Clayworth, administrator of the estate of Emma Denison, deceased, filed his semi-annual report which was approved.

A claim of \$133.85 was presented by Wm. McIntosh against Florence P. Garnett, administratrix of the estate of Algernon H. Garnett, deceased. The claim was approved by the court.

W. H. Mason, administrator of the estate of George Kieffer, deceased filed his report which was approved.

J. G. Richardson filed his final report which was approved, in regard to the estate of Elsie Marshall, deceased.

Ladies Bible Study, Thursday afternoon at the Baptist Church at 3 o'clock. Subject "How God uses Women in the work of the Church."

On next Sunday morning at the Methodist Church, Mr. Teare will render a solo, "Jerusalem," by Parker. In the evening Mr. Teare and the pastor will render a duet.

Sold Last of his Crop

H. F. Matthews, who raised two thousand six hundred bushels of potatoes last year on twenty acres of ground, has sold out the last of his crop. He went to Mountainair recently and sold 28,000 pounds of potatoes in about an hour and a half. The supply of home-grown seed stock in that part of the county was rather limited last year, but is being supplied by farmers farther north. This week T. S. McBride and Joe Castagna delivered a lot of potatoes in Mountainair which they sold to McCoy & Co. The acreage planted to potatoes in the valley this year will run away up in the thousands.

Memorial Day

The Tularosa Tribune publishes the following notice to the New Mexico Grand Army from Department Commander Long, of Tularosa: Headquarters Dept. of N. M., G. A. R.

My Dear Comrades: Once more the time rolls around to Memorial Day. To us, who still remain of the one million comrades, who have passed over the Great River, this is the most sacred day of the year. In a little while, we too, will go over to join our comrades in the better land. Our children and our children's children will then place flowers upon our graves. We are passing away at the rate of about 40,000 a year. In fifteen years or twenty at the most, there will not be a corporal's guard of us left.

It is hoped that every soldier's grave, Federal and Confederate alike, will be decorated. If there is a poor old confederate widow or mother in your community, see to it that day and give her the best you have in Friendship, Charity and Goodfellowship. Let her feel that we respect her as the mother or widow of a dead hero.

It is suggested that you meet in the churches on Memorial Day, Sunday, the 29th day of May, and that a comrade explain, before the sermon to the younger generation, why we observe this day, and that we expect to turn it over to them, to be observed in the same way after awhile. It will be fitting and proper for us to meet in a social way on Decoration Day, but let us frown upon all forms of gambling that day.

Your Comrade in F. C. and L. John W. Long, Dept. Commander, Department of New Mexico, G. A. R.

Gold Medal Contest

On Tuesday night of this week, the local W. C. T. U. held another of their interesting Oratorical Contests at the Methodist Church, this time the matrons contesting for a gold medal. Those participating were: Mesdames H. C. Williams, Welch, H. P. Wells, T. C. Elgin, T. N. Russell, Julian Tuttle and J. W. Collier. The medal was awarded Mrs. T. N. Russell by the judges. All the ladies did well, special mention should be made of the work of Mrs. Julian Tuttle, which has been highly complimented. A large audience was in attendance, enjoying the program. The solo by Mr. Teare added much to the occasion.

Dr. Cheyney came up from Willard in his Auto today.

FACTS OF INTEREST TO IRRIGATORS

Value of Land would Increase Several Hundred Per Cent

PROFIT ASSURED

When Water is Used Intelligently and at the Right Time

The Western Construction Company representatives have made numerous statements as to what water would do when properly distributed and at just the right time on the Estancia Valley soil. They have said that this soil would produce on a very conservative basis two hundred bushels of potatoes per acre and at forty cents per bushel, would mean eighty dollars per acre. That, after deducting all expenses for seed, planting, cultivating, irrigating, meeting water rights, digging, sacking and hauling to market, amounting to thirty dollars per acre, would leave a net profit of fifty dollars on every acre cultivated. This would be twenty five per cent on land value of \$200 per acre. There is no question but that much larger returns can be had from such vegetables as cabbage, onions, celery and very probably such fruits as apples, cherries and plums. Then comes that which costs very little for seed and can be raised very profitably. Last, but not least, comes alfalfa. There is very little doubt but that we can raise one seed crop and two hay cuttings per season. With seed at ten dollars per bushel and hay at ten dollars per ton, would net from forty to fifty dollars net to the farmer. Land values in the eastern rain belt and in the central states, are based on what the lands produce and in most localities land is selling at from one hundred to two hundred and fifty dollars per acre and rental income amounting to less than five per cent on the money investment.

Is it any wonder that people from the eastern states immigrate in train loads almost every day to the west, the northwest and southwest, looking for investments in irrigated lands, where crops are assured and where the same investments will produce twenty-five per cent net? Can you justly question the statements made as to land values, when put under irrigation?

Following are statements taken from an article written by Herbert J. Hagerman, the well known Roswell irrigator, who has probably had more experience in all its phases from the rough to the finished or fully developed fruit and alfalfa farms, than any other individual in the new state. In speaking of the government securing control of the water of the Rio Grande, north of the Elephant Butte Dam, he says: "After all the 110,000 acres under the Eagle Dam in New Mexico would, if thoroughly

reclaimed and in the best crops be a considerable area, one not to be sneezed at, at any rate it would probably be two-thirds as much as is now actually under effective irrigation in the whole territory. It should yield an annual revenue of from \$5,000,000 to \$7,000,000 and support a population of 50,000 people. It would make the land under it worth 125 times as much as it would be without water." Is it unreasonable to expect 26,000 acres under irrigation in the vicinity of Estancia, to make of Estancia a city of from 5,000 to 6,000 people? And this amount will be under irrigation within three years. Mr. Hagerman also states, that the loss in the Northern Canal, beginning near Roswell and irrigating lands near Dexter and Hagerman, from 15 to 25 miles away, was from 75 to 90 per cent for the first couple of years. Of course now the loss is less than fourteen per cent, or one per cent per mile. Please note the advantage on saving of water by pumping the water on each parcel of land, where no one ditch can exceed one mile, where the loss will be only one per cent instead of fourteen at the point of measurement as is the case in the Pecos Valley. This item alone is worthy of consideration as the farmer or land owner must pay these bills.

There are many features of this kind that tend to make a system as proposed by the Western Construction Company and installed by the Estancia Irrigation Company, of advantage over the ditch or reservoir system, which the Estancia Valley people will be unable to appreciate until the plant is in operation for at least a year or two.

Teachers are Chosen

On Tuesday afternoon the Estancia School Board met and chose teachers for the coming term. T. N. Russell, whose work during the past year, as principal has been successful in bringing the schools to a better organization, was re-elected for another term. A fifth teacher was also chosen for the coming year, as the various grades were so crowded the past term that the work was severely hampered. The grade teachers chosen on Tuesday are:

Primary, Mrs. Julian Tuttle. Intermediate, Miss Emma Parrett. Lower Grammar, Miss Minnie Laws. Grammar, Miss Zella Roberts.

Blood Poison

I. P. Wells brought in E. C. Sterling from five miles southwest of town Tuesday of this week, to see a physician. Mr. Sterling is nursing a bad case of blood poison. Several days ago, he scratched his "shin" severely, but thought nothing of it, as he supposed it wouldn't amount to much. Sunday morning he limped around and on Monday had to resort to a crutch to get about. It will probably delay his farming operations for a while at least.

Preaching at the Baptist Church next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Subject, "The Second Coming of Christ," by the pastor